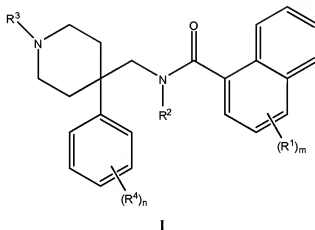


**In the Claims:**

The current status of all claims is listed below and supersedes all previous lists of claims.

Please cancel claims 10, 16-23, and 26-28 without prejudice to their presentation in another application, and amend claims 1 and 24 as follows:

1. (currently amended) A compound in accord with structural diagram I:



wherein:

$R^1$  at each occurrence is independently selected from CN,  $CF_3$ ,  $OCF_3$ ,  $OCHF_2$ , halogen, hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $C(O)R^c$ ,  $C(O)NHR^c$ ,  $CO_2R^c$ ,  $NR^aR^b$ ,  $CH_2NR^aR^b$ ,  $OR^a$  and  $CH_2OR^a$ , wherein  $R^a$  and  $R^b$  are independently at each occurrence hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $C(O)R^c$ ,  $C(O)NHR^c$  or  $CO_2R^c$ ; and wherein where  $R^c$  at each occurrence is  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl;

$m$  is 1, 2 or 3, where at least one  $R^1$  moiety is other than hydrogen;

$R^2$  and  $R^3$  are independently hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl or  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl substituted with  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy;

$R^4$  at each occurrence is independently selected from hydrogen,  $CF_3$ ,  $OCF_3$ ,  $OCHF_2$ , halogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,  $NR^aR^b$ ,  $CH_2NR^aR^b$ ,  $OR^a$  and  $CH_2OR^a$ , wherein  $R^a$  and  $R^b$  are independently at each occurrence hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $C(O)R^c$ ,  $C(O)NHR^c$  or  $CO_2R^c$ ; and wherein  $R^c$  at each occurrence is  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl;

$n$  is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

G is oxygen;

j is 1, 2, 3 or 4;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

2. (previously presented) A compound according to Claim 1, wherein:

$R^1$  independently at each occurrence is CN,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl or  $OR^c$ ; and m is 1, 2 or 3;

$R^2$  and  $R^3$  are independently hydrogen or  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, and

$R^4$  independently at each occurrence is halogen where n is 1 or 2;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

3. (previously presented) A compound according to Claim 1, wherein:

$R^1$  independently at each occurrence is CN, ethyl or methoxy and m is 1, 2 or 3;

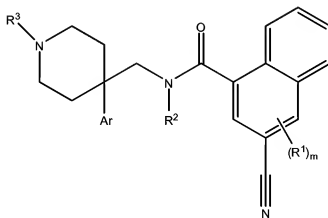
$R^2$  and  $R^3$  are independently hydrogen or methyl, and

$R^4$  independently at each occurrence is halogen where n is 1 or 2;

$R^4$  independently at each occurrence is halogen where n is 1 or 2;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

4. (previously presented) A compound according to Claim 1, according to structural diagram II



II

wherein Ar is selected from phenyl, 3,4-dichlorophenyl, 3-fluorophenyl, 4-fluorophenyl, 3,4-difluorophenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl,

4-difluoromethoxyphenyl and 4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl;

R<sup>1</sup> is selected from H, methyl, ethyl and methoxy where m is 1 or 2, and

R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are independently selected from H and methyl, and

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

5. (canceled).

6. (previously presented) The pharmaceutically-acceptable salt according to Claim 1, wherein said salt is formed from an inorganic or organic acid selected from hydrochloric, hydrobromic, sulfuric, phosphoric, methanesulfonic, sulfamic, para-toluenesulfonic, acetic, citric, lactic, tartaric, malonic, fumaric, ethanesulfonic, benzenesulfonic, cyclohexylsulfamic, salicylic and quinic acids.

7. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to Claim 1, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof, and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

8-23. (canceled).

24. (currently amended) A compound according to Claim 1, wherein said compound is selected from:

1-N-Methyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

4-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

4-(4-~Chlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-(2-Methoxyethyl)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

4-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-aza-prop-1-yl)piperidine;

4-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-ethylnaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-ethylnaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-ethylnaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-2-methoxy-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-2-ethyl-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-N-methyl-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-methoxy-N-((4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-methoxy-N-((4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-ethyl-N-((4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-N-methyl-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-2-methoxy-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-2-ethyl-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-N-methyl-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-2-methoxy-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-2-ethyl-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((4-(4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-N-methyl-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((1-methyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-methoxy-N-((1-methyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-ethyl-N-((1-methyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxy-N-((1-methyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-ethylnaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxynaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxynaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(4-fluoronaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(4-fluoronaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxynaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Ethyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Ethyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Ethyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Ethyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-ethylnaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxynaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Ethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Ethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-ethylnaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-(3-(3-cyano-2-ethylnaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-(3-(3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-(3-(3-cyanonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-methoxy-4-methylnaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(4-chloro-3-methoxynaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-4-methylnaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(3-cyano-4-methylnaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(4-bromonaphth-1-yl)-3-oxo-2-azaprop-1-yl)piperidine;

1-N-Methyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(3-(4-bromonaphth-1-yl)-(3-oxo-2-N-methyl-2-azaprop-1-yl))piperidine;

3-cyano-N-((1-methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-methoxy-N-((1-methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-ethyl-N-((1-methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxy-N-((1-methyl-4-(3-fluorophenyl)piperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-N-((1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-methoxy-N-((1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2-ethyl-N-((1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

3-cyano-2,4-dimethoxy-N-((1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

and

3-cyano-N-methyl-N-((1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide; or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

25. (previously presented) A compound selected from:

3-cyano-N-((4-(3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-1-naphthamide;

N-((4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-3-cyano-2-methoxy-1-naphthamide;

N-((4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-3-cyano-2-ethyl-1-naphthamide; and

N-((4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl)-3-cyano-N-methyl-1-



naphthamide;

or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

26-28. (canceled).